

ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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ARIZONA SCHOOLS CHIEF TOM HORNE TO RECOGNIZE 22 SCHOOLS FOR THEIR EXEMPLARY WORK IN PROVIDING QUALITY EDUCATION FOR ARIZONA STUDENTS AT THE THIRD ANNUAL 2007 SPOTLIGHT ON SUCCESS AWARDS

PHOENIX (Tuesday, May 15, 2007) -- Arizona Schools Chief Tom Horne will recognize 22 schools at the Carefree Resort and Conference Center on Wednesday, May 16, at 5:00 p.m., at the third annual 2007 Spotlight on Success Awards Dinner and Candlelight Celebration. The Spotlight on Success awards dinner showcases educators and schools for their exemplary efforts in providing quality education to Arizona's students. One of Superintendent's goals of his administration is to showcase programs that demonstrate measurable academic achievement and support for quality education.

Superintendent Horne will perform for the award winners as a participant in the Phoenix Baroque Ensemble, a classical chamber music group in which he plays piano. The following schools will be recognized at the 2007 Spotlight on Success Awards Dinner:

2007 Spotlight on Success Awardees

Category	Name of School/Organization/District	District	City
A + Schools	Chandler High School	Chandler Unified School District	Chandler
A + Schools	Rincon High School	Tucson Unified School District	Tucson
A + Schools	Edu-Prize	Edu-Prize	Gilbert
Benchmark Schools	Sunnyslope High School	Glendale Union School District	Phoenix
Benchmark Schools	Larkspur Elementary	Paradise Valley Unified School District	Paradise Valley
Career Technical Education (CTE)	East Valley Institute of Technology (EVIT) (Automotive Technologies)	East Valley Institute of Technology	Mesa
Career Technical Education (CTE)	Peoria Unified School District (Education Professions)	Peoria Unified School District	Peoria
English Language Learners (ELL)	Challenger Elementary	Nogales Unified School District	Nogales
English Language Learners (ELL)	Desert Shadows Middle School	Nogales Unified School District	Nogales
High School Renewal	Agua Fria Union High School District (Breaking Ranks II	Agua Fria Union School District	Avondale

(AZHSRI)	Implementation Model)		
High School	Casa Grande High School (Breaking	Casa Grande Union	Casa Grande
Renewal	Ranks II Implementation Model)	District	
(AZHSRI)	-		
High School	StarShine Academy (Breaking Ranks	StarShine Academy	Phoenix
Renewal	II Implementation Model)		
(AZHSRI)			
Reading First	Curry Elementary School	Tempe School District	Tempe
Reading First	Gary Knox Elementary School	Crane Elementary	Yuma
		School District	
School	Miller Elementary	Tucson Unified	Tucson
Improvement		School District	
(ASSIST Team)			
School	Indian Wells Elementary	Holbrook Unified	Holbrook
Improvement		School District	
(ASSIST Team)			
Special Student	Wakefield Middle School (Innovative	Tucson Unified	Tucson
Recognition	& Exemplary Program)	School District	
Superintendent's	Ocotillo School (Arts Education)	Washington	Phoenix
Special		Elementary School	
Recognition		District	
Superintendent's	STAR Charter School (Art	Coconino County	Flagstaff
Special	Education)		
Recognition			
Superintendent's	Tucson Unified School District (Art	Tucson Unified	Tucson
Special	Education – OMA)	School District	
Recognition			
Title I	1 st Avenue Elementary	Mammoth-San	San Manuel
Distinguished		Manuel Unified	
Schools		District	
Title I	Greenway Primary	Bisbee Unified District	Bisbee
Distinguished			
Schools			

WHO: TOM HORNE TO RECOGNIZE 22 SCHOOLS FOR EXEMPLARY

WORK AND INNOVATION

WHEN: WEDNESDAY, MAY 16, 2007

TIME: 5:00 P.M.

WHERE: CAREFREE RESORT AND CONFERENCE CENTER

37220 MULE TRAIN ROAD CAREFREE, AZ 85377